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S. RES. 48

Providing for service on a temporary and intermittent basis by the Director of the Office of Senate Fair Employment Practices, and for other purposes.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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Mr. Lott (for himself and Mr. Daschle) submitted the following resolution; which was considered and agreed to

RESOLUTION

Providing for service on a temporary and intermittent basis by the Director of the Office of Senate Fair Employment Practices, and for other purposes.

- 1 Resolved,
- 2 SECTION 1. TEMPORARY AND INTERMITTENT SERVICE.
- 3 (a) Definitions.—In this section:
- 4 (1) DIRECTOR.—The term "Director" means
- 5 the Director of the Office of Senate Fair Employ-
- 6 ment Practices.

- (2) HEARING OFFICER.—The term "hearing of-1 2 ficer" means a hearing officer appointed in accordance with section 307(b) of the Government Em-3 4 ployee Rights Act of 1991 (2 U.S.C. 1207(b)) (as in effect on January 22, 1995). 5 6 (3) Office.—The term "Office" means the Of-7 fice of Senate Fair Employment Practices. 8 (b) Director.— 9 (1) Service.—The acting Director may con-10 tinue to serve as the Director only on a temporary 11 and intermittent basis, in accordance with a contract 12 entered into with the President pro tempore of the 13 Senate, on the recommendation of the Majority 14 Leader and the Minority Leader of the Senate. 15 (2) Contract.— 16 17
 - (A) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided in subparagraph (B), subsection (b) of section 303 of the Government Employee Rights Act of 1991 (2 U.S.C. 1203) (as in effect on January 22, 1995) shall not apply to the service of the Director.
 - (B) Exception.—The contract shall include provisions concerning such service that

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- are consistent with the last sentence of subsection (b)(1) of such section 303 of the Government Employee Rights Act of 1991.
- 4 (c) Hearing Officers.—The President pro tempore 5 of the Senate may extend, pursuant to an agreement between the President pro tempore and a hearing officer, 6 a contract that was entered into by the Director and the 8 hearing officer prior to the date of adoption of this resolution. The President pro tempore shall extend any such 10 contract on behalf of the Office in the same manner and under the same conditions as a standing committee of the 12 Senate may procure services on behalf of the committee under section 202(i) of the Legislative Reorganization Act of 1946 (2 U.S.C. 72a(i)). The Director shall have no au-14 15 thority under subsection (c) of such section 303 of the

17 (d) Expenses of the Office.—

Government Employee Rights Act of 1991.

(1) APPROVAL.—The Office shall have no authority to approve a voucher under subsection (d) of such section 303 of the Government Employee Rights Act of 1991, except for the compensation of a hearing officer. The Office shall also obtain the approval of the Committee on Rules and Administration of the Senate for the voucher for the compensation of the hearing officer. The Office shall obtain

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- 1 the approval of the President pro tempore of the
- 2 Senate and the Committee for any voucher required
- 3 under such subsection for the compensation of the
- 4 Director or for reimbursement of expenses for a pri-
- 5 vate document carrier. The Director shall retain au-
- 6 thority to make payments described in paragraphs
- 7 (2) through (5) of the third sentence of such sub-
- 8 section.
- 9 (2) Limitations.—Payments described in
- paragraph (1) shall be made from amounts made
- available under subsection (e). The Office shall use
- the amounts to carry out the responsibilities of the
- Office in accordance with section 506 of the Con-
- 14 gressional Accountability Act of 1995 (2 U.S.C.
- 15 1435).
- 16 (e) Funding.—The Secretary of the Senate may
- 17 make available amounts, not to exceed a total of \$5,000,
- 18 from the resolution and reorganization reserve of the mis-
- 19 cellaneous items appropriations account, within the con-
- 20 tingent fund of the Senate, for use by the Office through
- 21 September 30, 1997.
- 22 (f) Effective Date.—This resolution takes effect
- 23 on January 31, 1997.

- 1 (g) TERMINATION.—This authority under this resolu-
- 2 tion terminates at the end of September 30, 1997.

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